consultation with concerned Ministries and take into account the developments that are taking place, likely to take place, growth in population, growth in GDP, growth in industries, etc. Thus a systematic study is undertaken every five years and is a continuous process. These are reviewed at the time of formulating the Annual Plans.

Issue of licences to catering units at Railway stations

2219. SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to provide licences for catering units at railway stations only to the contractors; and

(b) if so, the proposed division of jurisdiction of catering arrangements between contractors and the departmental catering units at those railway stations where catering units are already functioning?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) As per new catering policy, all new catering/vending licences are to be awarded to reputed and professional caterers. Besides, the existing departmental catering units are to continue.

(b) At stations where comprehensive Departmental Catering exists, catering/vending by private contractors is only regulated.

Setting up of Computerised Support System with technical assistance from World Bank

2220. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are setting up computeised support system with technical assistance from the World Bank to make perfect projections for the next 15 years;

(b) what is the grant expected from the World Bank; and

(c) by when the project is likely to become operational?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (c) A technical assistance financed by Japanese Grant Fund through a grant of Y 79.5 million, managed by world Bank for development of computer based Long Range Devision Support System has been negotiated. It will take about 2 years for development of such a system before it can be operational.

Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Limited

2221. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Limited has been a profit making comany till the financial year 1992-93;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Railways have stopped placing orders for wagons to this factory from April, 1994, which has adversely affected the company's internal economy; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor and how soon Government would place orders with this factory?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir. The Company has been a profit making one from 1983-84 onwards, except in the year 1988-89.